IWA-Grundfos UN Water Conference Youth delegates announced **13-Feb-2023**

 **Bjerringbro, Denmark, 13 February 2023:** The International Water Association and Grundfos are proud to announce that 14 bright and promising international young water professionals (YWPs) have been selected to be part of a delegation to the upcoming [UN 2023 Water Conference](https://sdgs.un.org/conferences/water2023), on 22-24 March 2023 in New York, USA.

The YWPs are the individuals who have been selected for the joint IWA-Grundfos Youth Action for SDG6 Fellowship. These YWPs, together with IWA and Grundfos, will play a key role advocating for a water-wise world and youth empowerment throughout the Fellowship. They will take part in a special programme of activities, a highlight of which is active participation at the conference.

The group has been identified following a rigorous selection process. The open call for applications for 12 Fellowship places in November received several hundred applications from around the world. Aligned with IWA’s vision to promote and create an inclusive and diverse water sector, the selection process ensured a balanced geographical representation and gender diversity. As part of Grundfos’s wider support for YWP action on the SDGs, the group also includes two specially-selected YWPs from the company.

The 14 Youth delegates will be part of the IWA delegation to the UN 2023 Water Conference, which also includes IWA and Grundfos staff. More details on the activities at the UN Water Conference will be available soon.

**The selected YWPs are:**

* Charles Shachinda, United Kingdom
* Chelsea Hayward, Australia
* Farokh laqa kakar, Canada
* Hadi Toure Guindo, Mali
* Ines Breda, Denmark
* Jacob Amengor, Ghana
* Marina Batalini de Macedo, Brazil
* Muhammad Anique Azam, Pakistan
* Pabel Cervantes, Mexico
* Persis Ramírez, Dominican Republic
* Sudipti Arora, India
* Yang Villa, Philippines
* Krithika Iyer Shivakumar, India (Grundfos)
* Krisztian Mark Balla, Denmark (Grundfos)

More information about the other elements of the Youth Action for SDG6 Fellowship can be found here: <https://iwa-network.org/news/youthactionforsdg6/>

**Further information**

If you have any questions regarding the IWA YWP Community, please contact [Isabela Espindola](http://isabela.espindola@iwahq.org), IWA Membership Engagement Officer.

To connect with the community, you can network with them directly on our global membership platform [IWA Connect Plus!](https://www.iwaconnectplus.org/dashboard)

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